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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

ON STATE ROUTE 198 IN LEMON COVE

The Department of Transportation (Caltrans) announces a scheduled increase of the posted speed limit on State Route 198 within the community of Lemon Cove in the Tulare County area.

The posted speed limit change is a result of a traffic survey brought on by our continuing program to survey existing speed zones at least once during a seven-year period. The following posted speed limit change will be effective beginning Monday, July 25, 2011 when posted signs are scheduled for installation:

 On State Route 198 within the community of Lemon Cove from just west of Road 244 to just west of Avenue 344, the posted speed limit will increase from 40 mph to 45 mph to reflect the recommendations suggested after evaluation of the recent speed zone survey.

This posted speed limit increase is in compliance with Section 2B.13 of the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices also with the California Vehicle Code Sections 627 and 22358.5. A recommendation for the posted speed limit increase was presented to the California Highway Patrol and they concur.

Caltrans and CHP want to remind the public about the "Move Over" law signed by the governor in January of 2010, that requires motorists to slow down and, if safe, move over to a lane not immediately adjacent to a stationary CHP, Emergency or Caltrans vehicle displaying flashing warning lights. To date, 45 other states have enacted similar laws requiring motorists to move over or slow down. Violation of this law is punishable by a fine and citation. So remember...

Move Over, It's the Law!!

